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FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STRUCTURING PRINTED  
CIRCUIT BOARDS

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LETTER SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS  
FOR COMPLETION OF AN APPLICATION  
PURSUANT TO 35 U.S.C. §371

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

May 20, 2002

Sir:

The application papers for the above-identified application were originally filed on February 22, 2002 and the application was assigned Application No. 10/079,896.

☒ Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.41(c) and 1.53(f), attached hereto is the executed Declaration of the inventor(s) (☒ original ☐ facsimile copy), necessary for completing the filing requirements in connection with the above-identified application.

☐ Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.41(c) and 1.53(f), attached hereto is the executed Declaration that was attached to the specification at the time of execution. The attached specification is a true copy of the specification that was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark office on , including any amendments thereto (if applicable) filed on even date therewith.

☒ The undersigned hereby declares that the attached Declaration corresponds to Application No. 10/079,896 filed on February 22, 2002, entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STRUCTURING PRINTED CIRCUIT BOARDS."

- ☐ Attached are \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) sheet(s) of formal drawings.
- ☐ Attached is a copy of the Notice to File Missing Requirements of Nonprovisional Application.

The Government Filing Surcharge (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e)) and the basic Government Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a)-(d)) (if applicable) is attached hereto and calculated as follows:

- ☐ Filing Fee \$0.00
- ☒ Surcharge (☒ Large Entity - \$130.00;  
☐ Small Entity - \$ 65.00)
- ☐ Attached hereto is a Statement Claiming Small Entity Status (☐ original ☐ photocopy).
- ☒ Submitted concurrently herewith **under separate cover** for recording is an Assignment.

☒ No extension fee is required because the undersigned has filed the documents within the allotted time given by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. However, if for some reason it is determined that an extension of time is necessary, applicant hereby respectfully petitions for an extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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☐ Applicant hereby respectfully petitions for a ( ) month(s) extension of time for the filing of the present paper in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. The required fee of \$0.00 is attached hereto.

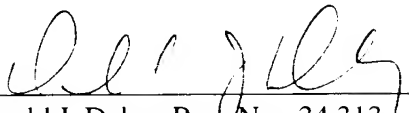
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☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 08-0750 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

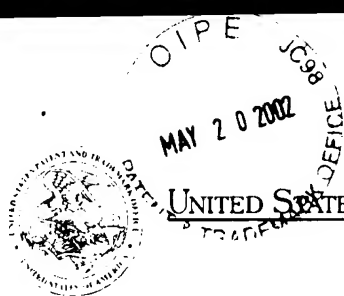
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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